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I am writing to provide comments to the FCC on the E-Rate NPRM, proceeding 13-184. E-Rate has been very important to both my high school and to my school District because it has helped my students and teachers gain access to a wealth of online resources, communicate and collaborate, and develop the 21st century skills necessary for college and careers.

In my high school we utilize digital learning for a variety of reasons such as online classes, meeting state, district and Common Core Standards ,as well as for testing purposes just to name a few.

I respectfully urge the FCC to increase funding for the E-Rate program to at least \$5 billion to meet this demand. All students need access to high-speed broadband. Our nation's future depends on their success.